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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Massimo CANALI, Marco MUSSINI, Stefano VOLONTE  
METHOD FOR CREATING A PROTOCOL-INDEPENDENT  
MANAGER/AGENT RELATIONSHIP, IN A NETWORK MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM OF A TELECOMMUNICATION NETWORK  
**Assignee: ALCATEL**  
Our Ref. Q78652

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Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 13 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, a copy of an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and a copy of an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney. Also enclosed is an Application Data Sheet.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	6	-	20	=	x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1	-	3	=	x	\$86.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00

<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>	<b>\$770.00</b>
Recordation of Assignment	\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>	<b><u>\$810.00</u></b>

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$770.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.



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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Europe	03291223.0	May 23, 2003

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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